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SUBJECT: BURMA'S A/H1N1 CASES RISE TO TEN

¶1. (SBU) Burmese health authorities reportedly this week confirmed another case of A/H1N1 -- a 57-year-old man returning on a flight from Singapore -- bringing the number of known cases in Burma to ten. Authorities are monitoring other passengers and airport staff from the July 20 Silk Air flight. The newest case comes on the heels of two A/H1N1 cases last week involving a 42-year-old man and his three and a half-year-old daughter who returned to Burma from Australia via a Thai Airways flight on July 16. International press reports and public-health officials speculate the number of cases could be higher; inadequate health care and testing facilities complicate diagnosis and containment. WHO officials in Burma confirm that four patients have recovered from A/H1N1 and have been discharged. We do not yet know the status of the other patients.  
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